COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL REPORT OF THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 1119

Saturday, *the* *25th March 1944* / *12th Meenam 1119*

The Council met at the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at half past Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (Sir G. T. BOAG, K.C.I.E., C.S.I.) in the chair.

Messrs. A. B. Salem, T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar, C. N. Ittiravi Nambudiri, C. Kunjan Namboodiripad, K. Ashtamoorthi Namboodiripad, T. P. Poulose, K. R. Ramakrishnan, S. S. Koder, H. J. Walmesley, Khan Sahib Ismail Hajee Essa Sait and Mrs. K. Joshua were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

IRRIGATION CHIRAS UNDER PANCHAYATS

266. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* (*a*) Are all the irrigation chiras under the Panchayat maintained in 1119;

(*b*) is there any increased allotment for any of these chiras this year?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* (*a*) The Dam across Malampuzha in Nemmara Panchayat has not been put up due to difficulty of getting earth for bund. All other irrigation chiras are maintained in 1119;

(*b*) No.

PREPARATION OF MEDICINES—RAMA VARMA AYURVEDIC HOSPITAL

267. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* (*a*) When was preparation of medicines started in the Rama Varma Ayurvedic Hospital at Trichur;

(*b*) what is the investment of the Government in this section thus far;

(*c*) who are the hands in special charge of this section with the pay of each;

(*d*) what is the net profit to the Government in this section for the first year of its working?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* (*a*) The preparation of medicines intended for sale to the public was started from 6th Mithunam 1117.

(*b*) The total investment of the Government for the Sales Department till 1st Meenam 1119, is Rs. 16,191 under "capital outlay" and Rs. 1,17,311 under "advances." A sum of Rs. 76,417 has been refunded to the credit of the above "advances," leaving only an outstanding balance of Rs. 40,894.

(*c*) The Assistant Superintendent of Ayurvedic Hospital (Pay Rs. 100) is in immediate charge of the Sales Department under the control of Superintendent of Ayurvedic Hospitals (Pay Rs. 250—300). A list of the other staff of the Department is appended *(See Appendix I).*

(*d*) The actual net profit can be ascertained only after the commercial audit of the accounts, which is being conducted, is over.

CHITTUR—CASES OF PLAGUE

268. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) how many cases of plague were there in Chittur this time;

(*b*) what were the actions taken to prevent the spread of the same;

(*c*) are there cases now? Are there rat-fall even now;

(*d*) why were the two villages alone proclaimed infected;

(*e*) what about the Kolinjampara village;

(*f*) why are Municipalities asked to report to the Government when there are epidemics;

(*g*) are not copies of the report sent to the Director of Public Health at the order of the Government;

(*h*) what does the Government expect that department to do on getting information?

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